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AMENDMENT

S I R:

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 18,  
2001, kindly amend the above-captioned application before  
examination as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 14 to 17 and add the following  
new claims 18 to 26 as follows:

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--18. (New) A method for the parallel manufacturing of a  
plurality of piezoelectric actuators, comprising the steps of:  
manufacturing a plurality of thin foils made of an  
unfired, piezoelectric ceramic material;  
forming a plurality of pairs of openings through the  
foils, each pair of openings consisting of a first connecting  
opening and a second connecting opening, each pair of openings  
being assigned to one of the actuators;